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Filing out

OPSEU secretary Judy Ventresca watches as Greg Motolanez, treasurer of the union local and chairman of finance sub-committee of the strike committee, wheels the union's files from her office in the Simcoe building, in the event a strike is called Wednesday. Union officials would not be allowed to enter college property if picket lines are set up around the campuses. (Photo by Wallace)

Toronto meeting plans next move

By JOE WALLACE
Staff Writer

In an effort to avert a support staff strike across the province, Ontario Public Service Employees Union (OPSEU) support staff delegates are meeting in Toronto today to plan their course of action after meeting with a mediator and the Council of Regents over the weekend.

Kay Steele, president of local 243, OPSEU support staff, along with Tom Bowes and Brian McKeown will represent Niagara College at the meeting.

The support staff union officially notified the colleges last Wednesday that it plans to strike at 7 a.m. this Wednesday, Jan. 24, thus giving the five working days' notice of strike required by law.

Both sides returned to the negotiating table in hopes of working out an acceptable offer after the second round of talks in the dispute broke down in late November.

If the delegates are not pleased with the results of the

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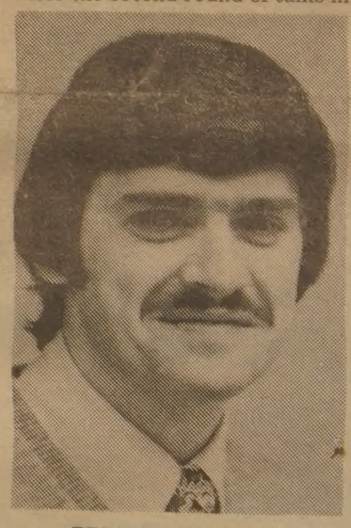
KAY STEELE



BRIAN MCKEOWN

TOM BOWES

College will remain open as usual if support staff walks out: deans

By EDDI VENTRESCA — Staff Writer

Niagara College will be open and classes will operate as usual in the event of a strike by the support staff, the deans of applied arts, business, health sciences and technology agreed.

I.J. Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, said he hopes the two sides will get together and resolve their differences without a strike. As administrators "we are obligated to keep the college going and provide classes for students."

Arnot McIntee, dean of business, said all business classes will run normally. "We will cope with the situation as it develops," he said.

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College president

Robarts foresees prolonged strike

By MICHAEL PLONER
Staff Writer

Support staff employees may be involved in a strike situation much longer than they anticipate and salary increases may not cover expenses if the strike lasts too long, Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president, said.

"Very few strikes are settled in a few days," Miss Robarts said. "Most take much longer to settle."

Miss Robarts said she thinks most people voted to strike to give the union leverage and clout when negotiating with the Council of Regents. "A lot of people who voted yes didn't really want to strike."

She said both the Council of Regents and the support staff union should make a strong effort at the bargaining sessions. "I hope it will be settled by negotiation instead of strike. Everybody loses if they strike."

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Winter driving tips

Be prepared for any emergency

By JUDY SUGA
Staff Writer

It's a rotten day. Visibility is almost zero, and you could figure skate on the roads. But today you're having the big history exam, and short of death or illness, you can't miss it. So, the inevitable happens — your car gets stuck in a four-foot snowbank in the middle of nowhere. So, what do you do now, other than cry?

First of all, you would have done better if you had remained in your warm, comfortable home, sipping hot chocolate and watching your favorite soap operas.

Allan Willard, in charge of emergency operations, Ontario Motor League (OML), St. Catharines, said, "The trouble is, travelling is being done when it doesn't have to be done. The biggest thing is to listen to your radio's weather reports, or our office (OML) also has a dictaphone with weather reports."

Staff Sergeant Carson Ford of the Niagara Regional Police agreed.

"If there's a snowstorm, the vehicle shouldn't be on the road."

So, now it has been forcibly impressed upon you that you should not have gone out. What now?

The most important thing is to be prepared for such an emergency.

"A shovel, a bag of sand or ashes, and tire chains or special mats you can get to put under your tires," are necessities, Sgt. Ford said. "It's also good to have an extra blanket and flares handy. And carry a small first aid kit, if you have one."

Mr. Willard also stressed the need for equipment, such as

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meetings, the strike will go ahead on Wednesday.

If they are pleased and an acceptable offer is worked out, support staff will not strike.

MAKES PREPARATIONS

Preparing for a possible strike last week, Mrs. Steele said she was trying to obtain two trailers for pickets, one for the main campus and one for Welland Vale campus, to keep them warm.

Members of the college local made posters and the support staff union files were removed from the Simcoe Building last Tuesday.

Two weeks ago, members of strike subcommittees were either appointed or volunteered their services.

Mrs. Steele will be chairman of is the communication committee chairman; Greg Motolanez is head of the finance committee and Mr. Bowes and Sylvia Bagley are in charge of strike duties. charge of strike duties.

Niagara support staff voted 99-17 (85.3 per cent) in favor of a strike Jan. 11 after a province-wide strike vote was called following a Dec. 2 meeting in Toronto.

Support staff has been working without a contract since the end of August after the first round of talks broke off Aug. 8.

Fact-finder Ross Kennedy said both sides are stalled on wages. They agree on a 2.78 per cent increase from September to December, 1978.

The union wants a seven per cent increase in January, while management is offering 2.78 per cent from January to April of this year, and six per cent starting April 1.

The second round of contract talks started again in early November after support staff voted 96 per cent in favor of turning down the council's offer Oct. 21.

The 123-member support staff is made up of secretaries, technicians and maintenance staff.

Robarts

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The entire college, including the strikers, will suffer if the college support staff strike, Miss Robarts said. Basically people think the college is a good place to work, but the confrontation of strikers and teachers may arouse emotions.

The ministry of colleges and universities sent a directive to community college presidents asking them to do everything possible to remain open. Miss Robarts said Niagara will stay open "provided our teachers are on the job."

Instructors in community colleges around Ontario have been asked to give their support to the union's stand. Both the teachers and the support staff are members of the Ontario Public Service Employees' Union (OPSEU).

More than 90 instructors at Niagara signed a petition endorsing the support staff and the union, Miss Robarts said.

"We have never had a strike and don't know what to expect," she said.

Bigger boards reduce clutter

The Simcoe Building will no longer have that cluttered look with notices hanging on walls and doors because bigger bulletin boards have been installed on all three floors. Joanne Bulanda, a first year journalism student, posts a notice on the big board on the second floor. I. J. Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, asked the Educational Resource Technician students to do a bulletin board survey based on need last year, and the larger boards were put in last week. He hopes students will not put their messages in halls and on doors, because the new boards are placed where notices can be prominently displayed. (Photo by Wallace)

College will remain open

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A long-term strike could seriously affect the health science department in the amount of student material prepared, **Fred Habermehl, dean of health sciences,** said.

Dr. William Stuart, dean of technology, said lab work would have to be deferred until the strike was over because the technicians, support staff members, "help a great deal in our lab."

If there is a strike, Mr. Giancarlo said he will call the chairmen together and make sure classes will be able to carry on under limited conditions.

Mr. McIntee said the strike will affect six or eight members in his department.

Mr. Habermehl said as long as the college is functioning, the classes will operate normally.

"Things tend to become very emotional in a strike," Dr. Stuart said. "We have a very harmonious relationship with faculty and staff and that might change."

George Blazetich, chairman of liberal studies, said he is not concerned with the effect on his operation, but the "effect on the students' education."

"Students have paid good money to come here," he said. "The reason for this place is for the student, not the instructors, chairmen or secretaries."

Dennis Malone, English division chairman, said he will be surprised to see them go on strike. "I'll believe it when I see it."

Mr. Malone said he could get by for "quite a long time without a secretary" to do copy typing (letters, memos, dittos), but work orders, purchase orders and payroll sheets could "grind to a halt."

Allied health services division chairman Robert Baddeley said he will be without secretarial assistance in his office if there is a strike. The full-time dental technicians would be affected. He said he will have to "find ways and means of keeping the clinic functioning."

"We have an obligation to the students to give enough teaching so that they can write their exams for their licences," Mr. Baddeley said.

Ivar Noren, applied management chairman, said he did not expect the strike to affect students.

"There are going to be some difficulties but they can be overcome."

Be prepared

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shovels or mats, to help get free and extra clothing to keep warm.

"One thing I always tell people is to take along a ski outfit or snowmobile suit, if they have one, to keep warm. Or they can take a heavier jacket, and ladies wearing dresses should put in a pair of slacks."

Once you are stuck, a simple candle could help provide heat, both men agreed. Mr. Willard suggested leaving the car running for short periods of time, but opening the window to prevent carbon monoxide poisoning. Sgt. Ford stressed making sure "the muffler system is clear, so the car won't be filled with fumes," adding that the motor should not be kept running constantly.

If there are no houses to be seen, it is usually better to stay in the car than to take chances and go out looking for one, he said. Mr. Willard suggested tying a flag to the car antenna to attract attention.

"It would help if you put up a colored flag," Sgt. Ford said.

Both men condemned carrying alcoholic beverages.

"It isn't a good idea to carry alcohol or you'd be in big trouble with the police if they found it in your car," Mr. Willard said.

Sgt. Ford said, not only is it illegal to carry alcohol drinks, it also shows a lack of intelligence.

"The only thing it (the liquor) does is increase the blood flow and quicken the pulse. It doesn't really warm you, and it's only adding to the problem if the individual has too much."

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Kickboxing demonstration not authorized

He kicks...

By PAM RIGHTON
Staff Writer

A kickboxing demonstration by an outside group in Niagara College cafeteria facilities Jan. 10 was not given proper authorization, college officials say.

Three members of Joslin's Karate Institute demonstrated their skills before a lunch-time audience to promote a proposed continuing education division course. Rocky and Jessie Zolnierczyk, equipped with boxing gloves and a special type of footwear made of foam, went for three two-minute rounds after a slow motion display of kicks by their brother Jerry.

Pat Faragalli, co-ordinator of room reservations and timetabling clerk, did not receive a request by the group and was not aware of the demonstration. The proper procedure for groups using college facilities is to send a written request to Mrs. Faragalli stating the event, date, time and their name and address for billing. She then issues the request to Al Aboud, director of student services, for permission, and Jack Spittle, manager of plant and property, for final approval.

Mrs. Faragalli, having always been contacted by groups using college facilities, said she would be interested to find out who did authorize the display.

Mr. Aboud, responsible for the gym and cafeteria facilities, heard about the demonstration but did not see it. He said the group apparently didn't go to anyone for permission.

"There's no one in there (cafeteria) to stop anyone going in there at noon," he said.

RELIED ON STUDENT

Jerry Zolnierczyk, head instructor at the institute, told the St. Catharines Standard Jan. 12 his group relied on a third-year radio and television student to gain authorization for the display.

Dr. Eric Robinson, chairman of community education at the college, was aware of students complaining of the demonstration during the lunch hour and that the college had apparently sponsored it. An elbow wound from a previous bout bled during the demonstration.

Dr. Robinson said he would be alert to such displays in the future and that he would move quickly to see if they were authorized. He said an interested student trying to drum up support for the course may have issued unofficial authorization.

Mr. Spittle said he had no idea how the group gained access to the cafeteria facilities. "I will certainly be alert to this kind of thing from now on," he said.

he slugs

Planned for February

Film, food, frolic at carnival

For winter weather enthusiasts, the Student Administrative Council (SAC) is planning a week of fun in the snow as part of the Niagara College Winter Carnival, Feb. 5 to 10 .

Some plans are still tentative, but the list provides a variety of games and fun for students to enjoy.

Scheduled for the first day of the carnival, Monday Feb. 5, is a doughnut-eating contest and a tug of war.

Tuesday, Feb. 6, is a film day, with the feature film Smokey and The Bandit, to be shown in the Hamilton room at noon. A volleyball tournament will also be held, starting on the double lunch in the gym.

A euchre tournament is the highlight of Wednesday's festivities and Thursday will see the finals of the volleyball tournament at noon.

Friday, Feb. 6, is Pancake Day, with the college cafeteria serving flapjacks throughout the morning. For those who would like to brave the seasonal weather, a snow baseball tournament will also be held Friday.

On Saturday, Feb. 10, the carnival will be wrapped up with a Super Pub, featuring Streetheart, in the cafeteria.

SAC is also trying to organize a car rally during the week and they welcome any suggestions for other events from students and staff.

1st literary contest for future Leacocks

If you're feeling particularly creative in a literary sense any time between now and Friday, March 23, Niagara College is providing a forum for your masterpieces. The first literary contest in Niagara's history is open to all students, both full-time and part-time.

Operating under the Olympic motto, "The great thing in life is not to win but to participate," the contest is the brainchild of Jim Nicholas, sociology instructor with assistance from Ray Mathews and Gary Webb, English instructors.

The two main divisions are fiction and non-fiction. Fiction categories include poetry, short stories, plays, radio and TV scripts; non-fiction covers essays, scientific reports, surveys and investigative reports. Limited to a maximum size of 10 double spaced typed pages the works will be screened for literary value and then submitted to a different judge team for selection of winners.

Entrants are to include their name, address, student number, telephone number and title. Student numbers only will be provided to judges. Secretaries of the School of Applied Arts, Health Sciences, Technology and Retraining will accept submissions for the contest.

The contest's purpose, as stated by the organizers, is to provide a forum for the expression of literary talent, cultivate a diversity of talent, show how literary pursuits can be exciting and indicate the extent of faculty interest.

Welland Vale oil use down results from close scrutiny

Fuel oil consumption at the Welland Vale Centre has decreased 20,000 gallons per year in the 1974-1978 period over the 1969-1973 period, Jack Spittle, manager of plant and property, said.

The reduction resulted from closer operation of the boiler and closer observation to the details of the heating system, such as the valves and gates, Mr. Spittle said.

Fuel oil consumption in the 1969-1973 period was 80,000 gallons per year, and during the 1974-1978 period consumption dropped to 60,000 gallons per year.

Fete reading by dramatist

When dramatist Norma Edwards takes the stage at the Celebrate Canada Festival Feb. 16, it will be "like seeing a mini-play," organizer Erika Church says.

Ms Edwards becomes various major characters in works by Margaret Laurence and even people who are not familiar with Laurence "will be able to appreciate it," Mrs. Church said.

The dramatist's performance Feb. 16 at 10 a.m. will be part of a cross-Canada tour. "Niagara College is very lucky to have her," Mrs. Church said.

She has extensive acting experience, both on television and the stage.

She was in two television series, The Tar Sands, and The Masseys, on CBC-TV, as well as acting and directing plays from Kingston, Ont., to California.

Ms Edwards acted in plays at the Theatre St. Lawrence, Domino Theatre and Kinsmen Club Theatre in Kingston, the Queen's University music and drama departments and the Stanford Players in California. She also directed a production of the Last of the Red Hot Lovers for the Belleville Theatre Guild.

Strike: Day care to close

The Early Childhood Education day care centre will definitely close if support staff strike Wednesday, Jacqueline Robarts, college president, said.

Children attending the day centre were sent home Friday with leaflets explaining the strike situation to parents and asking them to find alternate day care centres for their children.

"We're trying to be helpful," Miss Robarts said.

She said it would be impossible to look after 120 children with only the four people who would remain at the centre if support staff walk out.

Asked if students could handle the job, she said it would not be right to place so much stress on them, because they don't have the experience the normal staff do. It would be too much responsibility and, if something happened, the college would be blamed.

Early Childhood Educiation classes will not be cancelled, she said.

'Common courtesy'

To lay ground rules for strike conduct

A meeting between Niagara College administrators and support staff union executive to outline the administration's position on a strike is to take place tomorrow, Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara college president, said.

Miss Robarts said it is "common courtesy" to the support staff that the meeting will take place to outline the administration's position.

She expects the situation at the college to be "business as usual" and she wants this made clear to the striking workers.

College administration decided last Thursday at a management committee meeting that the meeting with the support staff would be in order. Miss Robarts and Glenn Pevere, Niagara's personnel officer, will represent the administration at the meeting.

EDITORIAL PAGE I

Opinions / Letters

Winter in Welland doesn't have to be a dreadful experience. You can enjoy beautiful scenery as seen above in this picture of the Chippawa Park. Skating, hiking and cross-country skiing can be enjoyed by the hearty sports-minded person. Or you can just watch from the comfort of your car. This tranquil setting will bring rest and relaxation to even the most worrisome of Wellanders.

Niagara can cope

It looks as though Niagara and the 21 other community colleges in Ontario are going to lose their support staffs by Wednesday. Some are guessing it may be for quite a while.

The waves this will make here may be relatively small. Niagara is unique in that it contracts out many of the services performed at other colleges by support staff.

Cleaning, mail service, snow removal, security and cafeteria services are all handled by private firms. While this reduces the clout of the support staff's walkout here at Niagara, it doesn't really affect their over-all cause. Any settlement will be a province-wide one, and other colleges more reliant on support staff will be feeling the absences quite acutely.

Some colleges are actively calling for student support. A report in the Sheridan College newspaper says the union there has issued a bulletin to the Ontario Federation of Students (OFS) "requesting them to boycott their classes. We believe that students have traditionally had a strong sense of justice."

A different approach is being taken at Niagara. For one thing, the college is not a member of the OFS. For another, it appears the support staff local here seems to want the issue to be one more of individual choice. The union is hoping each student is aware of the problems. It would be delighted if that student, armed with the facts, then decided to pin on a YES button.

One union spokesman felt the strike would be perceived as quite relevant by many students. With the government being the large employer that it is, it was his opinion that students would realize that they too might soon be faced with labor negotiations within the public sector.

Despite union attempts to make its complaints known, many students probably feel they haven't got enough information to know which way to feel, let alone whether to wear a button or boycott a class.

If support staff members do strike on Wednesday, you might talk to them on your way into class. Ask them why they're on the picket line. They'll certainly have the time and the disposition to give you the full story.

Paul Wilson

Don't raise a fuss it's only a sport

One day, while sitting in the news room, I heard some fellow staff members discussing the recent kick-boxing exhibition at Niagara. I heard them tell of how a larger man was beating up a smaller one, with a great amount of blood spilled in the process.

They described it as sickening, and the fact that they were on their lunch hour did not help matters.

Although I wasn't there, I decided that they were probably over-reacting to the situation. My suspicions were confirmed, in part, upon reading a story about it in a local paper. It stated that the bleeding had been caused when a scab on one of the boxers' elbows had been accidentally ripped open.

What over-dramatic reactions! How would these people have reacted had they been at ringside in Yankee Stadium on the night of Sept. 17, 1954, when Ezzard Charles split Rocky Marciano's nose in half in a heavyweight title fight?

Where would their stomachs have been had they witnessed the WBC junior lightweight title fight between Alfredo Escalera and Alexis Arguello in Bayamon, Puerto Rico, on Jan. 28, 1978? Their battle, called the bloodiest he had ever seen in more than 20 years of officiating by Arthur Mercante, left Escalera with deep gashes over each eye, on his tongue, and a lip torn so badly it had to be sewn back in place. Even the winner, Arguello, was cut badly under his right eye.

It brought to light once again something that bothers me about sport. It is when the reactions of over-dramatic people give sports a black eye.

These two fights are more the exception than the rule. There are thousands of fights all over the world each year, and only a small percentage result in any kind of serious injury. I am sure this is true of all "combat sports," as they are called.

However, when one of these exceptions is brought to the public eye, charges of barbarianism, brutality and "uncivilized" games are laid.

Two factors must be considered before making such a charge. First, the competitors in these events are there because they want to be, not because they are forced by anyone to do so. There are many youngsters who dream of someday becoming heavyweight champion of the world.

Second, since most of these events are televised or bring with them an admission price, the public has the choice of not watching or attending them.

Another point to consider is that these young fighters receive the utmost protection. Head gear is mandatory in every area of the continent. It is rare indeed for any amateur boxer to be cut at all, let alone seriously. It also can be said that no respectable fight

It also can be said that no respectable fight manager would ever sent his protege into the ring with the intent of injuring someone.

Can you imagine the field day these over-reacters would have if the youngsters fought in 19th century style — bare knuckles?

Robert Brodie

Letters

Dear Editor:

I would like to thank the Niagara News for its interest in and coverage of the installation of the condiments machines in the Merritt building.

The articles in your Oct. 30, 1978, edition created a great deal of interest and brought the problem to the attention of a number of the students.

Thank you for your help and support.

Debbie Powell
Second year business

Dear Editor

I would like to complain about people who continually steal pictures from the library's magazines. I think it is inconsiderate and unthoughtful.

The magazines are there for everyone to use, let's keep it that way. I suppose these people don't stop to consider the fact that the library may have to put the magazines away because of a few people who refuse to observe common courtesy.

Come on, let's put an end to this nonsense. There are plenty of magazines for everyone, so let's share.

A deprived undergraduate

BULLPIT: Check it out, men watchers

By RON HOLLA
Staff Writer

Males, the eyes are upon you. So wiggle those hips, flex those biceps, stick your chest out and squeeze into an extra tight pair of trousers, becuase the hunt is on. It is National Men Watchers Week.

Actually, before you rush off and follow all those above suggestions, relax. It is not yet an officially recognized week listed on the calendar. But the case for such an official week to recognize the joys of watching the male physique is strong.

Girl-watching is an accepted international sport, with roots dating back to the earliest days of man. It is perhaps the only sport in which no ideological differences enter, instead creating a special comradeship whose signals are a wink of the eye, a sharp whistle and the movement of hands in an hourglass shape. Yet man-watching, an equally ancient sport, is not officially recognized.

Imagine a day in which men-watching would be officially accepted and recognized. Of course a National Men Watchers Association would be set up. Contests to select the country's best chest, best biceps, cutest bums and best legs would surely follow.

A Men Watchers Guide detailing what parts of the male anatomy are must views would be sure to appear on the book racks, to be snatched by eager watchers on their way to the beaches and pools. A magazine featuring the latest views would grace the newsstands.

Watching tanned bodies soak up the sun or sporting in the surf is enough to arouse any red-blooded male. Surely the sight of a well-rounded posterior has a similar effect upon females. But only the male's reaction is ever mentioned, at least to this reporter's experience. Why not the female's? Perhaps the fact this reporter is a male has something to do with it.

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EDITORIAL PAGE II

Profile / Bullpit

Undressed women reason for theft

By TOM POWELL
Staff Writer

For those students who didn't know, some of the magazine the library receives contain pictures of women in v arious states of undress.

Now for those students who just found out, here's a message from the students who already knew — forget it, they've been claimed.

Some time ago, in the last school year, I was glancing through a then recent issue of Time magazine. The issue in question contained a cover story of fashion model Cheryl Tiegs, exposed to the bare printed form. Inside was a smaller version of a Sports Illustrated picture with Miss Tiegs shown in a see-through bathing suit.

As I leafed through the magazine I was shocked to discover that Miss Tiegs had been ravaged. The story was torn to shreds, the pictures stolen and the magazine left in a rumpled state of undress. I shuddered to think of what may have befallen her after the scoundrel departed with his prized photos.

A check of other magazines with pages missing showed the reason for their absence to be the same.

It doesn't take much head-scratching to figure out what the possible motive for these thefts might be.

Stephen Kees, the chief librarian, thinks "it's the guys" who are responsible for the thefts, but probably a small group who have failed to mature as adults. It makes one wonder if they are trying to speed up the maturing process all by themselves.

If anything, the people responsible for the thefts have stirred other students' imaginations causing them to ponder what may have provoked the thief to steal that particular page.

But more than that they've angered most students who simply want to read what's on the other side of the page.

Female counsellor has 'a lot of spunk'

By MARY KOZIELLO
Staff Writer

Once you're launched into a conversation with her, you'll realize that modest, mild-mannered Bette Ferguson is a lady with a lot of spunk.

No one can say that bright-eyed Bette is idle. She keeps herself busy at the college with a trio of jobs: serving as women's adviser to the president, co-ordinator of women's studies and the only female counsellor on campus.

Her job as women's adviser involves being a consultant who provides assistance to the affirmative action plan at Niagara. The plan seeks to encourage and promote opportunities for women and to bring them to the same level as men.

BETTE FERGUSON

Change of pace

Women's studies deal with identifying the needs of women through academic courses and courses which teach "coping skills."

Asked why she became a counsellor, she said she thought it would be "interesting and a change of pace from teaching."

Unassumingly, Mrs. Ferguson describes herself as being "fairly easy to get along with" and having a "reasonable sense of humor."

Prior to coming to Niagara 11 years ago, Mrs. Ferguson taught English in Montreal and did personnel work.

Has 3 degrees

She has a BA in psychology from Sir George Williams University in Montreal, a diploma in education from McGill University, also in Montreal, and a master's degree in education from Niagara University in New York State.

She attended high school in her birthplace, Glasglow, Scotland. In school she was active in sports such as field hockey, basketball and tennis.

She came to Canada because her sister was working over here and she thought she'd like to see a new country.

Civil servant

After high school, she worked as a civil servant. After coming to Canada, she married Anderson Ferguson, now chairman of the mathematics division at Niagara College. Her decision to attend university came later.

It is humorous to watch her eyes roll in mock anguish as she speaks about her "rusty" tennis skills.

In addition to playing tennis, Mrs. Ferguson loves cooking, doing crossword puzzles, yoga and reading detective stories. She has a certain passion for opera, theatre and the ballet.

Involved in community affairs, Mrs. Ferguson is on the board of directors for Big Brothers of Welland, a member of the Business and Professional Women's Club and the University Women's Club.

Having relatives in the United Kingdom, she visits there occasionally. She does not travel extensively as she doesn't like "living out of a suitcase".

Though Bette Ferguson has had a colorful life, she hopes that one day she will learn to swim and play a musical instrument.

We just couldn't resist

A stroll through an antique shop resulted in the perfect gift for Jacqueline Robarts, Niagara College president and resident hooker — rug hooker, that is. On many occasions second year journalism students had to resist the temptation of calling Miss Robarts "The Happy Hooker" whenever a picture of her hooking a rug for the Celebrate Canada Festival appeared in the Niagara News. Barbara Blue, journalism instructor, saw the embroidered picture in an antique shop during the Christmas holidays and "just couldn't resist it." Miss Robarts was left speechless when she was presented with the sampler by the Niagara News staff on Jan. 5. The picture is now part of the decor of the president's office. The rug which Miss Robarts generously hooked for the Celebrate Canada Festival is on display in the Tecumseh Building in front of the library. (Photo by Righton)

News follows developments

In the event of a strike by Niagara College's support staff, the Niagara News will continue to publish, keeping its readers informed of the up-to-date developments.

Literary Contest

The first Niagara College Literary Contest, open to all full-time and part-time students, will be held this term.

The contest is divided into two categories — fiction and non-fiction. Fiction submissions may be made under the following sub-categories: poetry, short stories, plays and radio and TV scripts. Non-fiction submissions may be essays, scientific reports, surveys and investigative reports.

Maximum length for any submission should not exceed 10 typewritten pages, double spaced.

Submissions will be initially examined for their literary value by a team of judges. The best selections will be further examined by a different team of judges to decide on winners. Most of the judges will be members of the College faculty; some will be drawn from outside. Decisions of the judges will be final.

One prize will be awarded for the best submission under non-fiction and two prizes for the best submissions under fiction.

Depending on the quality of the work, as many as six submissions may be entitled to receive "Honourable Mention."

Submissions should be made on or before Friday, March 23. Late submissions will not be accepted. Submissions should be delivered or addressed to the Secretaries of the Schools of Applied Arts, Health Sciences, Technology, and Retraining.

Please attach to your submission on a separate sheet your name, address, student number, telephone number, and the title of your submission.

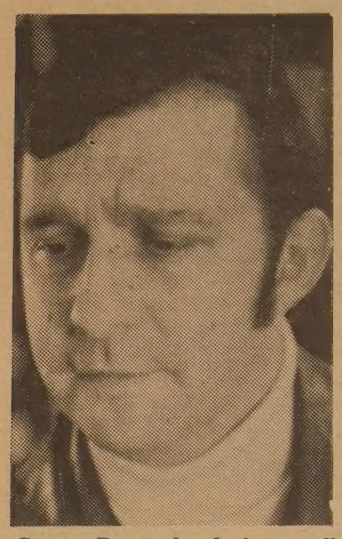
Your submission will be given to the judges along with your student number. Your names will be concealed to protect your identity. No student can present more than one submission. Winners will be announced in the last Winter edition of the Niagara News.

Organizers: Ray Matthews, James Nicholas, Gary Webb

ROVING REPORTER

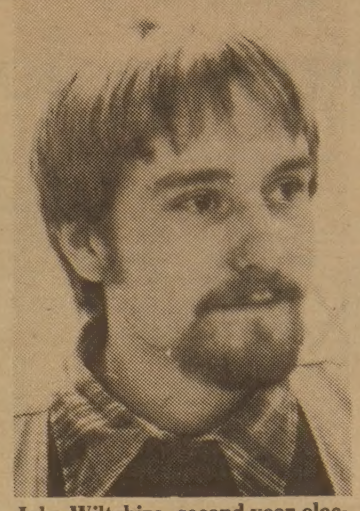
By PETER EPP and RON HOLLA

Question: What are your feelings on the support staff strike?



George Repar, head of counselling: I wish I was a little more knowledgable of what the offer is and what the major impediments are. I would hope they will be worked out because, from my perspective, too many services will be disrupted.

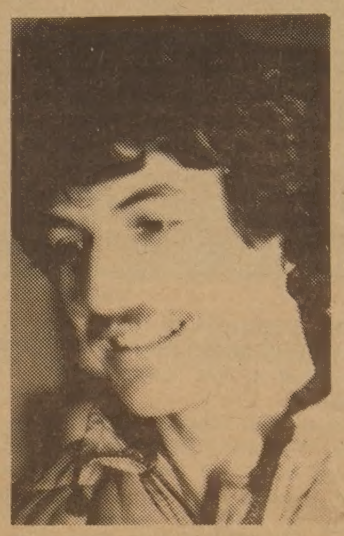
Sindy Lupul, first-year radio and television, Thorold: It could possibly affect us because we need the technicians in the program. It could also be hectic.



John Wiltshire, second year electronic engineering technology, Niagara Falls: I agree with the walkout as it appears an impasse has been reached and this seems to be the only way to resolve it. I don't think the support staff should back down.

Annette Hoeksema, general business accounting, St. Ann's: I think it's stupid. I don't agree with strikes.

Kim Stale, human relations, Welland: I'm aware of the problem. I support them because everyone should stand up for what they believe in. I hope they get what they want.



Tom Fabiani, first-year general business, Port Colborne: Everybody has the right to strike. Everyone wants more money, I think.

Mike Bowden, first-year surveying technician, Niagara Falls: I'm not really sure what they're going for or what they want. I wish I knew a bit more about it. If the janitors go on strike it's going to be pretty cold around here.

Richard Robert, retraining, welding, Welland: They've got the right as everybody else does to strike. They're only trying to keep their head above water. Without them the college wouldn't function properly.

Registration needs change: Adamson

By DOUG SMITH
Staff Writer

Changes may be coming in registration procedures for the second semester if Student Administrative Council (SAC) president Jeff Adamson has his way.

"Students had to go through hell at that time," Jeff told the President's-Student Advisory Committee (PSAC) meeting last Thursday.

Jeff suggested the committee look at the possibility of having students choose their electives for the year while registering in September.

A. S. Aboud, director of student services, said he thought the situation had improved and the size of the registration area presented the biggest problem.

He suggested moving registration for the second semester back to the gymnasium, as it was in previous years.

Basically, all that happens at winter registration is that students choose electives, Jeff said, and the time-consuming wait means students "miss practically all their morning classes."

Students are usually writing examinations during registration period and Jeff suggested the college should have a better procedure.

One SAC member had to wait for more than 1½ hours before selecting electives, and almost missed a chance to write a final examination.

New developments for photo freaks

A new darkroom converted from a classroom in the Hennepin Hall will enable photography extension classes to be doubled up and allow more photography courses to be added in the the future, Gordon Lawson, photography instructor, said.

Photography is one of the most popular continuing education courses, with about 90 students per term. Photography has been offered at Niagara College for five years, Beatrice Clark, administrative assisstant to Gail Hilyer, chairperson of applied arts continuing education, said.

The new darkroom, located in H-11, contains 16 enlarger stations in its color film processing and printing areas. Both areas are equipped with water temperature control units capable of holding temperatures to a plus or minus of one-quarter of a degree, Mr. Lawson said.

Previous darkroom facilities in the Black Walnut building were too small to house the photography classes, Mr. Lawson said. The new darkroom was made possible by a budget allowance last year, he said.

Photography instructors at the college's main campus this term are Mr. Lawson, who teaches introduction to photography Monday evenings; Jim Garrington, who teaches color printing on Tuesday eventings; Fred Edwards, who teaches creative photography on Wednesday evenings, and Richard Organ, who teaches introduction to photography on Thursday evenings and Divino Mucciante, who teaches photographic lighting and print retouching on Thursday evenings.

Gary Guzda, George Miller and George Cottrell, college custodians, move enlarger and photography equipment from the old darkroom in the Black Walnut building into the modernized darkroom in Hennepin Hall. (Photo by Boyd)

Emergency life support should be learned: Russell

By MARGARET BOYD
Staff Writer

Marjorie Russell, instructor of cardiac pulmonary resuscitation (CPR) to ambulance and emergency care students, thinks that everyone should know the basic life support methods of CPR.

Since 1977, the Canadian Heart Association has directed training in CPR to those in allied health programs, in public jobs such as firemen and policemen and in industry.

CPR is a way of artificially promoting heart-lung func tion when one or both have ceased to work. Ambulance students practise the techniques on resuscinannies and resusci-babies, dummies equipped with recorders to assess a student's proper use of pressure and ventilation.

Mrs. Russell said Ontario plans to educate those directly involved in health care first, before teaching public awareness of CPR. CPR has been proved to cut death rates. Professional and lay people in Seattle, Wash., trained in CPR had a 30 per cent survival rate of heart attack victims they treated.

MARJORIE RUSSELL

"CPR has been done for years," Mrs. Russell said. "It involves a lot of life-saving techniques." It can be used in cases of shock, trauma, stopped breathing and choking, as well as heart attacks.

Mrs. Russell has led a diversified life. Originally from Pittsburgh, N. Y., she has worked in all phases of nursing (from emergency to psychiatric), taught a number of health-related subjects, received a bachelor of science in nursing and a bachelor of arts in psychology, and has travelled extensively with World Health, an organization that deals with health emergencies.

Dr. E. C. P. Henderson and Mary Bondarchuk, dental auxiliary instructors, were certified in December to train students in CPR. Mrs. Bondarchuk said the dental hygiene students will have to take CPR in the near future. Dental hygienists should recognize and be able to assist in dental office emergencies, Mrs. Bondarchuk said.

Mrs. Russell teaches emergency patient care, CPR, hospital clinical treatments in Welland, Burlington and Niagara Falls; and an advanced first aid course at Atlas Steels.

Advertising skills sought in business

By TOM POWELL
and BETH SWINIMER

Somewhere in the jungle of the business world a faint cry can be heard, calling out for students trained in the skills of advertising.

"Run a course and I'll have a job for everyone who takes it," David Jonah, executive director of the Canadian Community Newspapers Association (CCNA), is reported to have told a college official.

So why doesn't Niagara College offer an advertising course in its choice of programs?

Ivar Noren, chairman of applied management, would like to see one added into the calendar. Until 1975, the journalism program offered advertising as a major option.

"We would love to start one (advertising course) on the basis of Mr. Jonah's comments," Mr. Noren said.

MADE PROPOSAL

On Oct. 4, 1974, Niagara College forwarded a proposal to the Ontario Ministry of Colleges and Universities concerning a course in advertising, Mr. Noren said. The college's Board of Governors approved the course but the ministry put it on hold.

At the time of the proposal, the ministry was reviewing such courses in the Ontario colleges. The last communication between the ministry and Niagara concerning the course was January, 1975.

There is a possibility of practical work for advertising students through the journalism program and Niagara News. It would give the students a chance to sell and draw up ads, Mr. Jelbert said.

"Yes, there would be an opportunity for that," Mr. Noren said.

There is advertising sprinkled throughout the marketing courses, Mr. Noren said. "We still feel that there is a market out there."

"Had we put pressure on the ministry we might have got the course, but then we would had to have been able to allocate the resources," Mr. Noren said.

Financial constrainsts placed on the college caused the temporary withdrawl of the proposal. At that time the college decided not to add any new courses.

Austin Jelbert, program co-ordinator for journalism, said until 1975 an advertising course was incorporated in the journalism program. Because of lack of interest and economic reasons the course was dropped from the program. In the last year it was offered, only one student enrolled.

BIG DEMAND

"There is a big demand for advertising types," Mr. Jelbert said. He would like to see a more business-oriented advertising course incorporated into the college system.

Mr. Noren said the only thing holding it back is that there just are not the resources available. All business teachers are fully occupied and the school of business is not prepared to reduce other courses.

Yearbook woes

There may not be a Yearbook this year unless more students show an interest, Wendy Beaver, yearbook editor, said.

The yearbook layout must be completed by Feb. 2, according to the college's contract with Inter-Collegiate Press, Winnipeg. As of this date, class pictures have not been completed and the yearbook is in need of candid black and white photographs and student help in layout, Miss Beaver said.

Interested students should attend the next yearbook committee meeting next Tuesday in L3 at 12:25 p.m.

Up, up and away

Incinerators installed in the MacKenzie building and Hennepin Hall when the college first opened are being removed and sold for scrap. The incinerators were used to burn paper and confidential information but can no longer be used because of environmental controls. A giant crane prepares to hoist one through the roof of the MacKenzie building. (Photo by Swinimer)

Need students to serve on committee

Bette Ferguson, women's adviser to the president, has requested two students to serve as representatives on the college's Status of Women Committee and "get together informally and talk about the needs of women in the college community."

Mrs. Ferguson, who is also co-ordinator of women's studies, asked a President's Student Advisory Committee (PSAC) meeting last Thursday for "input and co-operation" from students.

The status of women committee is part of the college's affirmative action plan which is a philosophy that supports equal opportunity and serves as a "catch-up phase" for women who have fallen behind in recent years.

One of the long term goals of the action group is to "diversify the enrolment patterns at the college," Mrs. Ferguson said.

Interested persons may contact Mrs. Ferguson in the counselling area and the committee is open to men and women. "Obviously, whatever affects women will affect men as well," she said.

Celebrate Canada

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Second year business student Debbie Bastings makes good use of new business machines. (Photo by Powell)

In Merritt building

New food machines

The Merritt building has received a hot drink machine and a confectionary machine two-and-a-half months after the Niagara News ran a story looking into this possibility.

The machines, located in the north end of the Merritt building, were approved by Al Aboud, director of student services, and Jacqueline Robarts, college president.

A number of business students approached the Student Administrative Council (SAC) for help.

"Students in the Merritt building were complaining that they had to walk too far," Barb DaCosta, SAC executive vice-president, said. "They said it wasn't fair."

Miss DaCosta approached Mr. Aboud on behalf of the students and with his approval, and that of Miss Robarts, the machines were installed and made operational this week.

"The student government had numerous requests from the students," Mr. Aboud said. "If SAC wants them (the machines) I'll go ahead and get them for them."

The problem of obtaining the machines had been discussed at numerous curriculum meetings. As suggested in the Niagara News, the students organized themselves into a group and approached SAC and Mr. Aboud about their concern. Their action produced positive results.

Snowblower sales keep rising while temperatures falling

If Dad has been making noises about getting a snowblower for Christmas this year, he had better move quickly. Sales at the Pen in St. Catharines have been booming since early November according to department sales people.

Robinson's Department Store is "sold right out," Ray Kerling of the Sporting Goods division said. "We're still ordering from our warehouse to fill last week's sale demand." More than 70 snowblowers have been sold in the last month, he said.

Generally the buyers prefer small, electric 3½ horsepower models. While some may be presents for Dad, many seem to be bought in anticipation of heavy snowfalls this winter.

"Prices are fairly high too, considering the investment it is," Mr. Kerling said. "They range between $400 and $600 on some models."

Simpsons-Sears Limited (Sears) sold 380 snowblowers in two weeks and "We're still selling them," Richard Lafleur said. "Customers are coming in regularly and they're still going strong."

Models that have gas motors and range from six to 10 horsepower are the best sellers.

Bob Graham of Eaton's hardware department stated most of their sales came earlier this year. "People are buying a lot sooner than last year and they're buying bigger sizes as well. Last year the average was five horsepower; this year it's the bigger eight and 10 horsepower," Mr. Graham said.

If this winter is as bad as the last two, a lot of people seem to be well prepared.

Few renew licences so far

With only six weeks before the Feb. 28 deadline, 85 per cent of drivers in Ontario and the peninsula have yet to pick up their automobile licence renewal stickers, the ministry of transportation and communications said.

Licence bureaus in the peninsula report between 13 and 17 per cent of their licence quota sold by Jan. 17. The stickers have been on sale since Dec. 1, 1978.

Provincially, only 415,000 of about 3.25 million stickers had been sold by last week, James Snow, minister of transportation and communications, said.

The Thorold licence issuer, 12 Albert St. W., said sales were good by Jan. 1, but have gone down since. With a quota of 14,000 stickers, the office has sold only 1,500.

The situation at Niagara Falls is no better, with only 2,600 of 19,000 stickers sold. Muriel Bruce, manager of the Portage road office, said sales at this time of the year have "always been like this."

"The last two weeks of February we sell 1,000 stickers a day," she said. "I guess most drivers don't think about it until the last minute."

Only the St. Catharines issuer, 297 Niagara St., said sales were going well. While the office didn't give any statistics, saying all results are sent into Toronto, he did say sales were up about five per cent from last year.

Fees are the same as last year: $30 for a four-cylinder car, $45 for a six-cylinder car and $60 for eight-cylinder cars with an engine displacement of less than 6.5 litres. The fee for motorcycles is $20.

Hypnotism to be taught after cancelled in Sept.

After being threatened with legal action and having to subsequently cancel an evening course, William LeCoq will finally be able to teach Understanding Hypnotism next year.

The full-time technology instructor received a letter from health minister Dennis R. Timbrell last month outlining the fact that, under Regulation 450 of the Hypnosis Act, he could legally teach a course on that subject without any certification.

The course was abruptly cancelled last September when college president Jacqueline Robarts received a letter from the Ontario Society of Clinical Hypnosis charging that Mr. LeCoq was not qualified to teach a course on hypnosis.

The society threatened both the college and Mr. LeCoq with legal action if the course was not cancelled.

Mr. LeCoq, who has since moved to Welland Vale Centre to teach technology, said he has had 30 years of practical experience with hypnosis.

He said the course is designed to give students a better understanding of how hypnosis can be used in everyday situations.

UFOs: More sightings, but do you believe them?

By MARGARET BOYD
Staff Writer

A Welland man and his wife were driving home from Hamilton last month when they saw them. Three flying saucers with pulsating red, white and green lights hovering in the sky near Grimsby. Tony Gerada and his wife, Beverly, saw the three saucers shoot up into the sky and disappear.

Accounts of unidentified flying objects (UFOs) have existed throughout history. Scientists try to rationally explain UFOs to an unbelieving public. Henry McKay, a UFO researcher-lecturer, gave a persuading lecture at Niagara College last year on UFO sightings in Canada, but it raised many questions. Why is there so little evidence of UFOs? Why don't the space ships make contact with humans? Why the mystery?

ALARMING REPORT

In 1968, the Canadian air force conducted a scientific study of UFO reportings, Mr. McKay said. One of the more alarming reports concerned a 22-year-old man in Falcon Lake, Man. After seeing a flying saucer land nearby and hearing voices from the saucer, the young man was blasted with hot air which set his clothes on fire and left him with an unexplainable disease similar to leukemia.

Most people scoff at the idea of UFOs, unless they have seen one or are of an impressionable mind. The blockbuster movie, Superman, is about a man of steel from the progressive planet Krypton, four light years away. An advanced society outside of the planet Earth would not be surprising — miracles, phenomena which can not be explained by natural laws, exist. It is believed by scientists that human beings utilize less than 10 per cent of their brain capacity.

Jacques Bergier, author of Extra-Terrestrial Visitations from Prehistoric Times to the Present, attempts to explain the lack of contact between man and alien by stating:

"These contacts do exist, but they are hidden from man as a whole and have taken place, at well-defined periods, only with advanced individuals..."

SMALL CREATURES

Hundreds of UFO reports concerning the appearance of alien beings, investigated by the UFO Research Centre in Toronto, describe them as small in stature with large chests, long arms and slits for mouths.

In the Middle Ages, meetings with creatures wearing garments of light were recorded. Discussions about the powers of God, knowledge and explorations of time were held between humans and these messengers. Moon-folk were described as serpent-like, furry creatures in a science fiction account of a voyage to the moon written in the seventeenth century by Kepler, a German astronomer.

A recent rash of UFO sightings in skies of New Zealand and England has elicited UFO jokes, UFO acceptance and UFO scepticism. Media and advertising have cashed in on the saleability of alien planets and creatures such as those in the movies Star Wars, Close Encounters of the Third Kind and Superman.

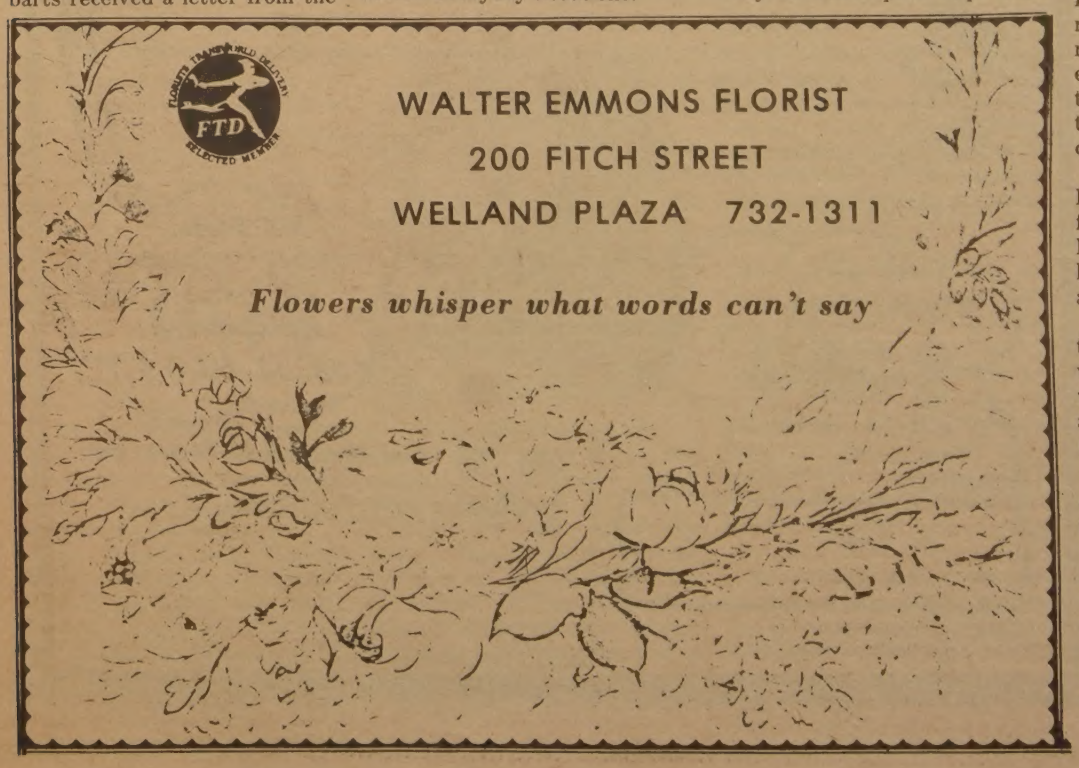
NOT NEW

UFOs are not new. Erich Von Danikin's Chariot of the Gods links the building of the pyramids in Egypt with extra-terrestrial powers. Scientists believe descriptions in the Book of Ezekiel and the Book of Revelation in the Bible are of UFOs.

Since the Soviet Union sent Sputnik into space in 1957, the world has become infatuated with the mystery of extra-terrestrial life. Canada is ranked second of 16 countries surveyed for sightings of UFOs. According to Dr. Allan McNamara, director of the planetary science section of the National Research Council. UFOs are "a form of modern day religion."

Reports of UFOs are always conflicting. While UFOs have been sighted in Toronto they are usually sighted in remote areas. Alien beings from UFOs have told contacts that they take emergency power form the earth's supply of electricity, but UFO technology is superior to anything man has created yet.

Mr. Gerada said the UFOs he sighted near Grimsby were probably watching ships on the canal. "Thats the only explanation I can give for them being there," he said.



'Leggy' look prevalent in Outline '79 show

By EDDI VENTRESCA
Staff Writer

Peter Pan collars and jelly bean shoes may sound like something from a Walt Disney movie, but Outline '79, a fashion show presented by the fashion arts department, showed they are two popular items for any spring wardrobe.

The show, in the Hamilton Room last week, gave fashion arts students an opportunity to display outfits they designed and made. Marie Lynch-Bramble, fashion arts co-ordinator, introduced the show and Cheryl Huard, second year fashion arts, did the commentary.

CHERYL HUARD

Cheryl models champagne beige cocktail length dress with a V-neck and gathered waistline.

The first part of the show featured sportswear, co-ordinate suits, casual dresses, tapered pants and loungewear, designed by the second year class.

First year students, the class of 1980, modelled hostess gowns and co-ordinate blouses made of muslin, factory cotton, as part of a 15-week study of line, shape and form design with fashion arts instructor Louis Berai.

They were allowed to add bits of felt to create their own motif.

ORIENTAL INFLUENCE

Late day and disco wear were modelled in the last part of the show. Oriental influences were evident in kimono sleeve styling, narrow necklines and wide sashes worn as belts.

With fashion moving closer to the body, wrap dresses, wrap jackets and wrap skirts are "very much in evidence for the spring." Some hemlines skim the knee while others fall anywhere between below-the-knee and mid-calf.

Shorter skirts, slits, wrap and front button styles and tapered pants contribute to the "leggy look prevalent throughout the market."

Polka dots, "spots before our eyes," are popular once again, as are veiled and feathered hats.

The fashion club, in its second year, is holding a fashion show at Ricci's Tavern, St. Catharines, Feb. 27, with proceeds going towards a trip to Montreal in the spring.

The club, formed to give recognition to the fashion arts department, has held fashion shows for the community, at Caisse Populaire, Lincoln Plaza and a Canadian Designer Showcase at the Shaw Festival.

Book ahead for ski trip

Anyone wanting to take the Student Administrative Council (SAC) ski trip to Barrie Feb. 16 had better hurry to book a seat.

SAC president Jeff Adamson told a President's-Student Advisory Committee meeting last Thursday that almost all the available seats have been booked.

SAC is considering chartering another bus and is taking reservations for a waiting list.

The cost is $3 and includes round-trip bus transportation to Molson Park in Barrie, ski equipment for the day and a meal at night. There will be music after skiing and beer will be sold.

'Sexy blues' singer to perform at Celebrate Canada

Renowned rhythm and blues singer-pianist Beverly Glenn Copeland will perform at Niagara College Feb. 15 as part of the Celebrate Canada Festival.

Ms Copeland, who sings some "real sexy blues," organizer Erika Church says, has played at the famous blues nightclub the Nervous Breakdown in Toronto as well as the Stratford festival.

She will put on her show in the college library at noon Feb. 15, the first day of the festival.

Ms Copeland also plays some jazz and rock but is primarily known for her rhythm and blues. She accompanies herself on piano and the hand drums and the show "will be a treat," Mrs. Church said.

"She is a woman of great energy and is really dynamite."

ENTERTAINMENT

Punk-rock and new wave can now be seen at the Dexter Hotel in Welland weekly. The Violtones, seen above, played to a small audience at the Dexter, pounding out their brand of punk-rock. Leathers, chains and spikes are the characteristic dress of punk-rockers. (Photo by Ploner)

New wave bands hit Welland

By MICHAEL PLONER
Staff Writer

The current pop music trend in England referred to as "new wave" is making its start in this area at the Dexter Hotel, Welland.

Guy Raymo, assistant manager of the hotel, is behind the new musical policy. He said the new wave is fresh and "basic high energy rock and roll."

Popular new wave bands from Toronto such as Police, Arson, The Violtones, The Deserters, The Diodes and others will be playing at the Dexter each week.

The Violtones were featured 10 days ago with all the gimmicks. The members wore chains, leathers, spikes and pointed boots. They played loudly and furiously making up in sheer force what they lacked in finesse. The singer cursed and yelled his way through the set, drinking Black Label beer for moral support and acting as if he'd gone mad.

The Violtones is the first Canadian band to have its first record turn gold, Mr. Raymo said. He had only booked four punk-rock bands since the new wave policy started and said most of the bands which play are on the pop side of new wave. They aren't as raw as punk-rock bands such as the Violtones, he said.

Welland isn't receiving the new concept too well, Mr. Raymo said. Most of the people who come are either from St. Catharines or Hamilton, he said. "On New Year's Eve we had about four people from Welland here and about 60 from Hamilton and 30 from Ottawa," he said.

The new wave bands are a little lower in cost because the demand for the music is small right now, Mr. Raymo said. Toronto is the hot spot for new wave music with bands such as The Battered Wives being very popular.

Mr. Raymo said he felt most of the bands playing in bars around the area are just cover versions of what is played on the radio stations. "Radio stations are not giving the new music a chance."

Recreation centre almost done: SAC

By DOUG SMITH
Staff Writer

The recreation centre in the MacKenzie building, which will be a "great boost to student morale," is ready to go, and at no cost to the college student administrative council (SAC), athletic vice-president Gary Gizzie says.

The games for the area will be installed free of charge by the E.G. & J. Knapp Company and the revenue will be split evenly by the company and SAC.

The centre will house a 4' by 8' pool table, a table soccer game, three pinball games, and an arcade-type game.

The floor of the room has to be tiled, since the computer that was there has been moved.

Although the "income is really difficult to predict," Eldon Knapp, of the Knapp company, said similar machines generate between $100 and $200 total income per week.

The room could be in operation as soon as the beginning of February, providing the floor is tiled by then.

"I am pleased that we are finally getting this room in operation this term," Gary said, "and it will be great enjoyment and recreation for the students."

The Knapp company operates the arcade at the Crystal Beach Amusement Park and has pinball games at the Brock University pub and residence.

"We will try to give you the best equipment available," Mr. Knapp said. "It will create a setting where everyone will appreciate the equipment and not abuse it."

In the future, Gary said, SAC may put in some free "active" entertainment such as backgammon, chess, checkers or ping pong games.

The room, M5 in the MacKenzie building, will have space for expansion after two walls are knocked out and an air conditioning unit is moved.

The pool table for the area is brand new, Mr. Knapp said, and the others are the latest in electro-mechanical and electronic machine games.

The area will be under the supervision of athletic director Pete Rylander and athletic assistant Fred Bassi. The company will make weekly service calls to empty and fix the machines.

The area will be open from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. daily and food and beverage will be strictly prohibited.

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SPORTS

1979 Niagara mens curling team

Curlers take fifth spot at invitational bonspiel

Niagara's men's curling team placed fifth in their first competition of the year, the Brock Invitational Bonspiel, on Jan. 13.

Ten schools entered teams in the event, with the order of finish being: York, Royal Military College, Guelph, Mohawk, Niagara, Queen's, Erindale, Sheridan, Brock and the University of Toronto.

Robert Young, organizer of the curling team, said the final standing did not really reflect the strength of the respective schools.

"It isn't really the criteria of how good they are. Sometimes the luck of the draw (for the pairings of matchups) had an influence on the school's finish. The toughest team we faced, U. of T., ended up 10th."

Niagara beat Toronto and Brock in their first matches, with skip rock winning each game, both 10-enders. However, they were beaten by Erindale in the third round in another 10-end match.

"We got within one in the eighth end, but they (Erindale) were able to hold on," Mr. Young said.

The Niagara team consisted of Jeff Gibson, skip; Sam Bahunk, vice-skip; Jim Muileboom, second, and Bill Klingender, lead.

"They had a good spiel," Mr. Young said. "The competition was really keen."

The event was sponsored by Molson's, who provided the draught beer which accompanied a buffet luncheon at the St. Catharines Golf and Country Club, where the bonspiel was held.

In another event on the same day, Niagara's mixed curling team lost matches to two tough rinks in a bonspiel at the St. Catharines Curling Club.

It was the first time the members of the team had ever played together in a bonspiel. Both matches were played against senior curlers rather than students.

"I was pleased to see how well they played, but I have greater expectations for them," Mr. Young said. "They can do better."

Team members were Rick Detenbeck, skip; Peggy Boyle, vice skip; Nicole Francois, lead, and Gary McAninch, second.

The mixed curlers will compete in bonspiels early in February at Port Colborne and Brantford. The men's team will also enter the latter event.

Mr. Young said he welcomes more curlers to come out on Tuesdays and Thursdays.

"We would especially like to have more girls, so that we may form a women's team, as well as for the student-faculty competitions on Tuesdays."

Best all-round effort of year as Knights whip Griffins 5-2

By ROBERT BRODIE
Staff Writer

CHEEKTOWAGA, N.Y. — Niagara Knights turned in their best all-round effort of the season, breaking to a 3-0 lead on their way to a 5-2 whipping of the Canisius Golden Griffins in a crucial hockey game played at the Holiday Twin Rinks Jan. 12.

Niagara maintained at least a two-goal lead throughout the final two periods, finally sealing the win when Don Marinelli hit the empty net with 19 seconds to play.

The victory pulled the Knights into a three-way tie for first place in the Finger Lakes Collegiate Hockey League with Canisius and Erie Community College. All three teams have 7-1-1 records.

"It was the fastest game we played all year," Niagara coach Fred Bassi said. "There was tremendous fighting in the corners for the puck, and we won the battle there.

"We also neutralized their skating by staying with them and pushing them off the puck."

FIVE SCORE

Scoring for Niagara were Andy Cieri, Mike Chartrand, Keith Bull, Paul Berstling and Marinelli. Jon Christiano and Mike Langevin replied for the Griffs.

The Knights opened the scoring at 6:44 when Bull knocked in the rebound of a shot by Marinelli that Canisius goaltender Jim Pagliaroli could not control. Minutes later Cieri stole the puck while shorthanded and beat Pagliaroli on the stick side following a deke.

Niagara's lead grew to 3-0 at 11:16 when Berstling took a pass from Chartrand and fired a quick shot from the face of the circle past Pagliaroli.

Canisius had good scoring opportunities late in the period, but Niagara netminder Jim Pearce made key saves on Langevin, Christiano, Mike Denz and Terry Ostrander to keep the Griffins off the score sheet.

GOALTENDING GOOD

"Our goaltending has always been good," Bassi said. "Jim is our key man now, since Mike Mulder had to quit for scholastic reasons and Malcolm (Pennell) is ineligible."

Christiano scored the only goal of the second period to close the gap to 3-1. The goal, scored on a shot from the side of the net through a maze of players, was the culmination of a stretch of good pressure applied by Canisius early in the period.

Both goaltenders were brilliant in the period, particularly Pearce, who made key saves on Chuck Roessler and Marty Maryan. Roessler also missed a golden opportunity when his relay of a pass from behind the net failed to hit the open side of the goal.

Niagara's best scoring opportunity of the period came when Pagliaroli's glove just caught a piece of Mark Patterson's shot, sending it high and wide of the goal. Berstling also hit the goalpost during the period.

EXTEND LEAD

The Knights extended their lead to 4-1 with about 12 minutes to play when excellent work behind the net by Terry Chayka set up Chartrand's quick shot for a goal. However, Langevin got that one back just six seconds later for Canisius.

Pearce put on an excellent display of goaltending after that, frustrating Denz three times on one shift. He stopped the Griffin centre on a high backhand, a low shot following a deke and a high slap shot from point blank range.

Penalty killing also aided the Niagara cause, with excellent work being done by Chartrand, Randy Kerr, Bob Young and Gerry Sebastiany.

HIT CROSSBAR

The Knights had chances to put the game away, but Pagliaroli stopped Chartrand on a breakaway and a high shot by Chayka that eluded the Griffin goaltender hit the crossbar.

Bassi was forced into using all his defencemen regularly in the game.

"I rotated all five of them and they played well. I must have had confidence in them, since no two players ever played together regularly during the game. Everybody got used to everybody else, which is important for a championship drive."

Bassi also expressed satisfaction with the play of his forward lines.

"All three forward lines are now working well," he said. "They are all driving very hard.

"Mike Chartrand is playing really well between Kerr and Berstling, and Steve Bustard will always be the toughest guy on the ice with his line."

Niagara outshot Canisius 41-33 in the fast-paced game, while the Griffins picked up eight of 15 minor penalties handed out during the night.

Down by 10, cagers rally to 61-55 win

Niagara Knights overcame a 10-point halftime deficit and rallied to defeat the Conestoga Condors 61-55 in an OCAA basketball game at Kitchener Jan. 15.

The Knights trailed 32-22 at halftime, but a team effort in the final 20 minutes brought them their second victory of the year over Conestoga.

Wilf Muller led Niagara with 16 points, his best scoring effort of the year. Ted Kicinski added 15, Bruno Couloigner scored 12 and Mike Czerlau netted 10 for the victors.

The victory ended a five-game losing streak for Niagara and gave them a 4-10 record in the OCAA West Division. The Knights had lost nine of their last 10 games.

Upcoming games

This week is one of the busiest for the ladies varsity basketball team here at Niagara. They play tomorrow at 7 p.m. against Seneca College and the league-leading Mohawk Mountaineers pay a visit on Thursday at 6:15 p.m.

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Beer and hockey????

By EDDI VENTRESCA
Staff Writer

Does junior hockey have a future?

Last week the Liquor Licence Board of Ontario (LLBO) complied with an Ontario cabinet directive that "beer, wine or cider companies shall not sponsor activities which include participants who are under the age of majority."

In other words, breweries cannot sponsor any junior hockey activities.

The Toronto Globe and Mail reported on Jan. 11 that "for the past seven years, Labatt's Limited and Molson's Brewery (Ontario) Limited have put hundreds of thousands of dollars into junior hockey programs in Ontario. However, the Ontario Government's recent decision to increase the legal drinking age to 19 has prompted the LLBO to disapprove further junior hockey sponsorships by beer companies."

Beer companies are not encouraging minors to drink by sponsoring junior hockey tournaments or three-star selections. Junior hockey teams depend on the revenue and player exposure from "beer money."

William Reagan, OMJHL commissioner, said he thought the LLBO ruling was absurd. "We did, after all, throw out prohibition many years ago."

Believing in the free enterprise system, Mr. Beagan siaid he encourages "the breweries, dairies and anyone else to participate in the sponsorship of junior hockey."

Mr. Beagan said he is going "to embark on a strenuous marketing program to get support of dairies and bread companies."

Former OMJHL commissioner Clarence (Tubby) Schmalz told the Globe, "We've tried for their (bread and dairy firms) support in the past and we've been turned down. They say they're on limited budgets."

Beer companies are the best sponsors in his experience, Mr. Schmalz said.

In a Canadian Press (CP) story, Reuben Baetz, minister of culture and recreation, said he will ask the cabinet to reconsider the guidelines issued to the board last April.

Frank Drea, Ontario consumer and corporate affairs minister, said the cabinet decision was handed to the board to "implement as part of a campaign against the lifestyle advertising of the breweries."

The future of junior hockey in Ontario appears gloomy without the financial support from generous firms.

The provincial government should reconsider its directive and give junior hockey back to the players instead of to the politicians.

SPORTS

Knights take over first place with 9-7 triumph over Erie

By ROBERT BRODIE
Staff Writer

Niagara Knights withstood a frantic Erie rally in the third period and hung on for a 9-7 victory over the Kats in a hockey game at the Welland Arena Jan. 13.

The victory gave the Knights sole possession of first place in the Finger Lakes Collegiate Hockey League with an 8-1-1 record. Erie is now 7-2-1, while Canisius stand second at 7-1-1.

The Knights led Erie 8-3 entering the final period, but surrendered four goals to the Kats, closing the gap to one goal with 1:05 to play. However, Mark Patterson ended the suspense with an empty net goal with 21 seconds to play, preserving the Niagara Win.

Knights' coach Fred Bassi said the game, although close at the end, was not as tough as the 5-2 victory over Canisius the previous night.

Randy Kerr led the Niagara marksmen with three goals and an assist. Patterson tallied twice for the Knights, while Paul Berstling, Mike Chartrand, Andy Cieri and Don Marinelli added singles. Berstling also picked up three assists, while Chartrand had four.

Seven different players scored for Erie: Rick Ross, Nick Tollar, Jim Ryan, Dave Pufpaff, Mark Rossow, Gordie Steinagle and Mark Ross.

Niagara had a golden opportunity to open the scoring in the first minute, but Berstling was stopped on a breakaway by Erie goaltender Joe Hatala. It was one of the few bright spots at the time for Niagara, as Erie dominated the early action.

The Kats scored twice in the first 6½ minutes to take a 2-0 lead. Steinagle opened the scoring at 1:55, taking a pass from Guy Marucco and flipping it past Knight goaltender Jim Pearce, who had no chance. The second goal was scored by Rick Ross on a low shot that appeared to go through Pearce's legs.

Pearce was brillant for the remainder of the period, turning aside 17 Erie shots to keep Niagara in contention while their offence got itself untracked.

The line of Steve Bustard, Larry Carter and Keith Bull seemed to get the Knights going later in the period. The three had a particularly rugged shift, knocking the Kats off the puck and creating numerous scoring opportunities.

The first Knight goal finally did come with 45 seconds left in the period on Kerr's beautiful deflection of Berstling's long, high slapshot. The puck went in just under the crossbar as Hatala had no chance.

Niagara only took 50 seconds of the second period to tie the score as Kerr knocked in the rebound of a Berstling shot that hit the post. The play was set up by Chartrand, who stole the puck from Erie's Tim White on the faceoff.

The Knights took the lead on a high slap shot by Mark Patterson over Hatala's shoulder at 3:33. Randy Kerr scored a similar goal less than a minute later to complete his hat trick.

Erie closed to within 4-3 on Pufpaff's goal at 7:30, but Berstling restored the two-goal margin six seconds later. The goal, scored on a low slapshot from along the boards, seemed to break Erie's spirit and allowed the Knights to assume a big lead.

Chartrand, Cieri and Marinelli scored to give Niagara a 8-3 lead at the end of the period. The latter goal, although unassisted, was set up by good work along the boards by Bustard, Carter and Bull.

Niagara came out strong early in the third period on a power play, and almost scored again when Mike Wolochatiuk hit the goalpost for the second time in the game.

However, the Knights resorted to a checking game from then on and tried to protect their lead, which almost cost them the game.

Perfect end to perfect weekend as Niagara dumps Cardinals 9-1

By RON HOLLA
Staff Writer

It was the perfect end to a three-game weekend as Niagara exploded with eight goals to crush the St. John Fisher Cardinals 9-1 in Rochester, Jan. 14.

The Knights, tightening their hold on first place with the win, their third in as many games, are leading the league with a 9-1-1 record, four points ahead of second place Canisius. Coach Fred Bassi was jubilant after the win.

"We're the team to catch now," he said. "I'm happy to get six points. But it is still not over yet."

Mike Chartrand led the Knights' attack with three goals and two assists. Steve Bustard, Larry Carter, Don Frenette, Don Marinelli, Paul Berstling and Mark Patterson each netted singles. The lone Cardinal goal came from Charlie McGurn.

EVENLY MATCHED

Play in the first two periods was evely matched as Niagara, tired after playing the two previous nights, faced a vastly improved St. John Fisher team.

Niagara finally ended the scoreless tie with a goal by Don Frenette at 7:00 of the second period. However, the goal didn't intimidate the Cardinals as they replied four minutes later with a goal by Charlie McGurn. The score remained a 1-1 tie when the period ended.

A revitalized Niagara team blew the game wide open in the third period. Marinelli's goal at 2:15 opened the floodgates for the Knights and they did not look back. The hapless Cardinals were dominated by the Knights, managing only 14 shots on goal to the Knights' 20.

During one four-minute stretch, Niagara scored five goals with Chartrand netting two and Bustard, Patterson and Berstling adding singles.

Cardinal coach Jim McGrath said while his team played well, the Niagara team was just stronger.

"From a Fisher standpoint, the first period was one of our best periods thus far," he said. "We played well for two and a half periods, but we just got tired."

Short-staffed volleyball team places fourth in tournament

Despite a shortage of manpower, Niagara's men's volleyball team placed fourth in a nine-team tournament played at Mohawk College in Hamilton Jan. 13.

"We gave a very good showing," teach coach Keith Huntingdon said. "This is a strong team that can fight with the three top teams in the league any day if they don't wear down."

The standing in the tournament were determined by a round-robin tournament in which each team played every other school twice.

Niagara finished with a 7-9 record, which included victories over Mohawk and Loyalist, the first and second place finishers respectively.

Niagara's staring six was forced to play every game in the one-day tournament.

"They were very consistent, but they needed the help of three substitutes who had never played volleyball before," Huntingdon said.

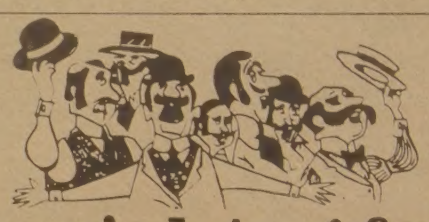
Huntingdon said he would welcome any players who would like to join the team, which practices on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5 p.m. in the gym.

"Any experienced volleyball players would help," he said. "Six players are just not enough. We need more."

The six starters are Glen Loor, Graham Gleason, Keith Neve, Sandy Simonits, Rich Beltrame and Wayne Labrosse. The subs include Rick Gray, Serge Borghesi and Mario Digaetano.

Tournament results: Niagara beat Georgian (15-9, 15-12), split with Sheridan (10-15, 16-14), Seneca (13-15, 15-13), Mohawk (4-15, 15-13), Loyalist (16-14, 9-15), and Cambrian (4-15, 15-10), and lost to Fanshawe (8-15, 7-15) and Centennial (11-15, 11-15).

The team's next competition will be in a tournament at Durham College in Oshawa Feb. 10. Niagara will be the host of a tournament one week later.



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Lawrence Coombs [15] of Centennial makes a futile attempt to stop a basket by Niagara. (Photo by Brodie)

Not enjoying best of years

With the halfway point in their schedules come and gone, the three major varsity teams, with the exception of the men's hockey squad, are not enjoying the best of success.

The Knights' hockey team is leading the Finger Lakes Collegiate Hockey League with a 9-1-1 record.

While the men's hockey team is experiencing a measure of success, their varsity basketball counterparts are suffering through a rather dismal 78-79 season.

The hoopsters are mired in ninth place in the OCAA Western Division and sport a 4-10 record.

The ladies basketball team has a 3-5 record and is involved in a dogfight for a playoff berth.

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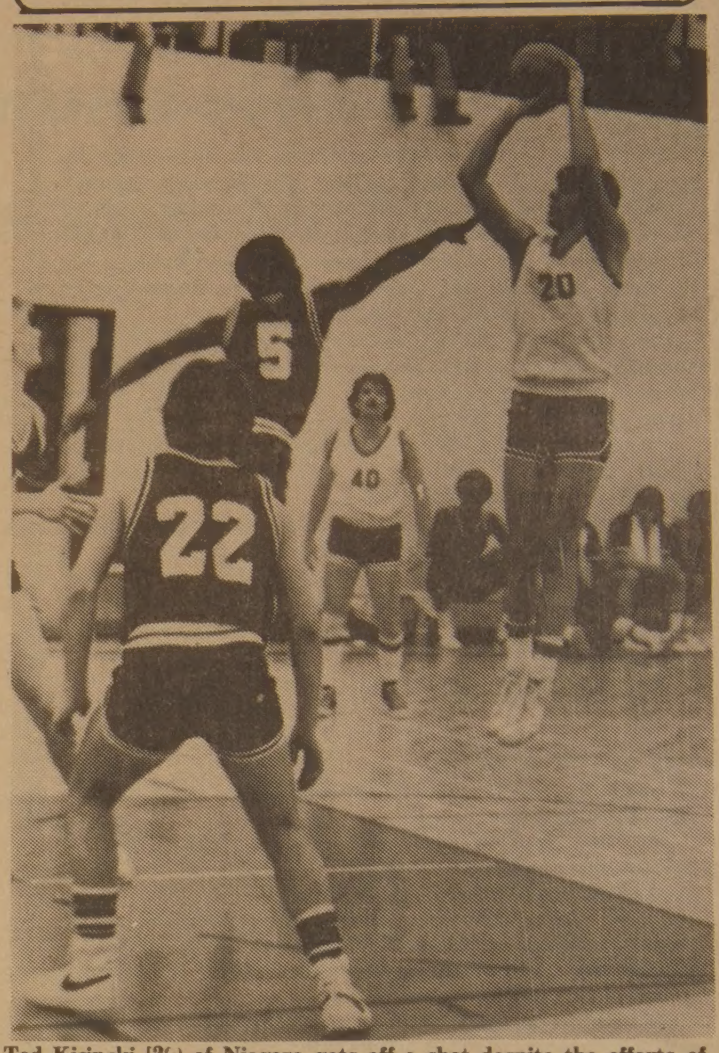

Ted Kicinski [29] of Niagara gets off a shot despite the efforts of Locksley Blades [5] of Centennial. Niagara shooters were not always this open, though, as the Colts stopped them enough times to gain a 63-59 win. Centennial built up a 25-point lead in the first half, but inspired play by Niagara in the second half almost resulted in a shocking upset. (Photo by Brodie)

Comeback attempt falls short as hoopsters dumped by Colts

Pat Tulloch made a key steal and two free throws in the final seconds to preserve Centennial Colts' 63-59 victory over the Niagara Knights in an OCAA basketball game Jan. 11.

Niagara, which trailed by 25 points late in the first half, had cut the Colts' lead to 60-57 with only 0:39 to play and had possession of the ball until Tulloch's theft. He was fouled, and his subsequent free throws helped Centennial avert a shocking upset at the hands of the Knights.

Garvin Antoine sealed the win by netting a free throw with six seconds left. After Wilf Muller hit two free throws a second later, Niagara was given another chance when Centennial's inbounds pass hit the roof. However, they could not convert the scoring opportunity.

The game was close for the first seven minutes, with Centennial only able to build up a six-point lead. However, the Colts, led by Tullock's bombs and Antoine's inside work, hit nine points in a row to take a 23-8 lead.

Another burst built the margin to 37-12, with Niagara having trouble getting shots before the 30-second clock expired.

"It was our first dozen minutes since Dec. 8," Knights' coach Don Lesco said. "We haven't played since then."

However, Niagara, inspired by a three-point play by seldom-used reserve Jeff Weima, was able to close the gap to 39-22 by the intermission.

"We played them even the last seven minutes of the half," Lesco said. "In fact, we outplayed them to the end."

CONTINUE SURGE

The Knights continued their surge early in the second half with Weima, who tallied five points, continuing to be the spark.

"His contribution was fantastic and he really hustled. Those were his first points ever, and it really turned on the team and picked them up.

"Jeff is a fine athlete, but he has never played basketball before," Lesco said. "He is just starting to feel confidence."

Niagara outscored Centennial 15-2 in the first seven minutes of the second half, cutting the deficit to 43-37. Outside bombs by Tim Chambers and superb inside play by Muller and Ted Kicinski helped fuel the Knights' surge.

MAJOR ROLE

Defence also played only eight minutes in the second half, played superb defence," Lesco said. "He made a big save near the end to keep us in contention."

The Colts' lead was cut to two points with 4:05 left, and to 58-57 with 59 seconds to play. However, Niagara never could overtake the heavily-favored Centennial team.

Lesco said the Knights, who had been blown out twice by the Colts in high-scoring games earlier in the year, intended to keep the game a low-scoring one.

"We had practised the four-corner offence all week. We wanted to slow it down and take our time bringing the ball up the court."

Tulloch led the victors with 21 points, while Antoine added 20 and Lawrence Coombs 15. Kicinski topped Niagara's scorers with 14 points. Chambers and Muller each added 12 to the Niagara cause.

X-country equipment available for low price

If you want to try cross-country skiing and don't have the equipment or you enjoy the sport but don't like the high rental fees, then Niagara College's athletic department may be able to help you.

Fees range from $2 for overnight rentals, $5 for weekend rental, to $7 for a week rental, such as during the February study break. The rental fee includes skis, boots and poles.

There are 10 sets of skis loaned out on a first-come, first-served basis. There are no reservations, but students can make arrangements for the skis at 9 a.m. and pick them up later that afternoon. Staff and other employees get their chance at 10 a.m.

Skis can be borrowed to use around the college in the snowy fields surrounding the campus free of charge.

"The skis are great to use around the school," Peter Rylander, athletic director, said.

Get off my back!

An Erie Community College player apparently found the best way to stop Niagara's Steve Bustard is to hold him down. However, Bustard and his teammates got loose enough times to bring the Knights a 9-7 victory over Erie. Keith Bull prepares to fire the puck, while Larry Carter [10] moves in to help out. Niagara carried an 8-3 lead into the final period, but an Erie rally almost gained a tie before the Knights picked up an empty net goal. Randy Kerr led Niagara with three goals, while Mike Chartrand scored once and set up four others. (Photo by Brodie)

Mean Machine takes intramural basketball title

The Mean Machine easily won the ladies' intramural basketball title over a team consisting of law and security students.

The best-of-three final was won in two straight games with convincing victories. The clincher was applied on Dec. 14.

Team members included top scorer Rena Graffi, Louise Lindley, Kathy Simpson, Diana Lostracco, Marsha Tack and Debbie Angelis.

1978 Secretaries of the Week

The 10 winners of the Secretary of the Week pose with College president Jacqueline Robarts after receiving their awards. The girls, all in the graduating year of their program, were judged on the quality of the work they performed during actual office conditions. The winners are, from left to right, Erica Kildau, Jane Minor, Debbie Duncan, Marj Viajou, Diane Buchkowski, Miss Robarts, Monica Schmitz, Barb Wagner, Domenica Cricenti , Nancy Twerdohlib and Roseanne Marcello. (Photo by Powell)

Parking lots near capacity

College parking lots are nearing capacity, and if an increase in student numbers is being projected for 1979, the college will be faced with a parking problem, Jack Spittle, manager of plant and property, said at a management committee meeting.

He said he doubts if parking will be a problem next year, using government statistics on declining birth rates and high school attendance in Canada as a reference.

Jacqueline Robarts, college president, said that if the funding mechanism for 1979-1980 permits the college to increase its student intake, the problem of providing adequate parking will have to be dealt with.

Sand shortage

College parking lots were not sanded despite treacherous ice conditions last Monday because of a shortage of sand caused by unusually wet weekend weather conditions.

Pounds for Canada not taking off

By MARGARET BOYD
Staff Writer

The countdown to the finish of Pounds for Canada, a weight-losing contest, is on, but the pounds are not coming off.

Weight is a touchy subject with most people, whether over or underweight. Twenty-five people have entered Pounds for Canada so far, Marian Kerr, nurse at the Health Centre, said. The contest started in October and ends on Valentine's Day, Feb. 14.

The object of the contest is to raise money for the Celebrate Canada Festival. The cost to enter is $1; anyone 10 pounds overweight is eligible to enter. Contestants who lose 10 pounds or more will be eligible to win one-eighth of the pot. Those who aren't overweight may get involved by paying the entry fee and guessing the total amount of weight lost. The person closest to the total will also win one-eighth of the pot.

ROBERT BADDELEY

ISSUED CHALLENGE

Robert Baddeley, chairman of allied health programs, has challenged Jacqueline Robarts, college president, and I. J. Giancarlo, dean of applied arts, to lose weight. Whoever loses the least amount of weight will have to take the other two to dinner.

Mr. Baddeley has lost 20 pounds; Mr. Giancarlo and Miss Robarts have lost none. Dieting and exercising were the methods Mr. Baddeley used to lose weight. He said part of his success is due to the fact that his friends knew about his weight-losing project and offered "friendly reminders."

Miss Robarts said she is trying to lose weight. Mr. Giancarlo said his weight loss program is in progress. "I gained weight over the Christmas holidays but I'm on a strict diet now," he said.

Most participants in the contest agree that losing weight is difficult. Mr. Baddeley said society probably makes too much of weight problems. A study in the United States showed most women consider themselves to be overweight when they are not, he said.

It is not too late to enter the contest. Anyone wanting to get involved can sign up at the Health Centre.

Interior design students plan presentation

Third-year interior design students will present audio-visual production Jan. 25 on environmental systems they researched in the area.

Stan Szaflarski, architectural drafting design instructor in the interior design program, assigned the project to the 16 students. This is the first year the interior design program has offered a third year.

Jacqueline Robarts, college president, and the deans of the schools in the college, are invited along with anyone interested in environmental studies.

The students researched some businesses in the area and have compiled information on what improvements they would make.

The presentation begins at 12:10 p.m. and will end at 1:55 p.m. Admission is free.

Submarines: More than just an ordinary sandwich

By MARGARET BOYD
and RON HOLLA
Staff Writers

If the Brobdingnagians of Swift's Gulliver's Travels were to invade Welland, they would be at home at Ray's Subs on Lincoln Street or at Rick's Subs on King Street.

Four heads of lettuce, 16 tomatoes, six Spanish onions, 10 pounds of meat, three pounds of cheese and a seven-foot bun are the ingredients of a seven-foot submarine sandwich which feeds 25 human being or one resident at Brobdingnag — the land of giants Gulliver met in his second voyage.

Actually no one has yet walked into Ray's Subs, 278 Lincoln St. E. to buy a seven-footer for himself, but many people do order them for parties, Francine Cote, a first year interior design student and employee at the store, said.

"They are usually ordered for parties, soccer teams and stags," her sister Carol, said. "It must be ordered two days in advance and it is made in 20 minutes. We then deliver it in a station wagon."

"We sell about two of the big subs a week on the average," Rick Gerada, owner of Rick's Subs, said.

His sub shop sells four-foot subs for $22, five-foot subs for $27, six-foot subs for $32 and seven-foot subs for $37.

The bread for a six or seven-foot sub costs $10. It is made by Riganelli's Bakery in Thorld. The specialty bread must be ordered in advance.

King's Subs on King Street, though it doesn't sell the six and seven-foot subs, sells a staggering 130 dozen subs a week.

Submarine shops are exotic places with Wonderwoman pinball machines in some, the tang of hot peppers in the air in others and late-night visitors in all.

Norma Racicot, a employee at King's Subs, said she had never heard of a submarine sandwich until five years ago, when she began working at King's.

Have a giant sized appetite? The submarine sandwich Carol Cote of Ray's Subs, 577 Lincoln St., E., Welland, is preparing should be enough to fill any extra-large appetite. Actually these seven-foot subs and their smaller brothers, six-foot and five-foot subs, are usually made for parties and stags.

Rick Gerada said the submarine sandwich, also known as a dagwood, is so-named because of its submarine-like shape.

The lowly sandwich, hardly considered a culinary delight, and the not-so-lowly sandwich (especially at $35 apiece) was invented by John Montagu, fourth Earl of Sandwich, as a time-saver for his gambling habits.

Both Rick's Subs and Ray's Subs listed steak subs as the numero uno best seller, with deluxe and meatball subs close runners-up. King's Subs' best seller is the deluxe.

Ray's Subs, owned by Marie cote, offers 16 tantalizing varieties of subs. They sell about four or five of the giant "torpedo" subs a week.

Ray's Subs also sells candy, pepperettes, pickles and kobassa; King's Subs sells chicken wings (800 pounds a week), french fries and seafood as well as subs. Rick's Subs sells subs only.

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Right to Life:

'The truth' about abortion

By MARY KOZIELLO
Staff Writer

Dr. Kevin Tompkins, member of Niagara Regional Right to Life, charges that abortion committees in Canada are "much too loose" as they give abortions too easily.

Dr. Tompkins, a Welland gynecologist, said the reason for the legalization of abortion in Canada was the mental and physical health of the mother. Nowadays, women who simply don't want to have their babies use the excuse, "if I don't have an abortion, I'll go out of my mind."

Niagara Regional Right to Life seeks to make the public aware of "the truth" about abortion and euthanasia. It is a registered charitable organization which was formed in response to what it considers to be lack of respect for human life.

Another member of Right to Life, Marian McManamy, said the organization fights for the rights of the unborn and other threatened groups of society.

Its three guiding principles are: right to life is the basic right on which all others depend; all human beings share this right both before and after birth, and society has a duty to protect this right.

LACK STIPULATIONS

Dr. Tompkins said 57,400 abortions were performed in Canada in 1977. He added that theoretically, they can be performed up to the ninth month of pregnancy as no legal stipulations exist.

Dr. Carol Cowell of the Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, has published a report on pregnancies and the right to life.

Mrs. McManamy quoted Dr. Carol Cowell, who performs abortions, as saying she found that abortions done even under the best of conditions may be dangerous to the woman.

Mrs. McManamy said most people do not realize the seriousness of abortion. She has heard comments from women such as, "if my daughter got pregnant, I would rush her to an abortion clinic so fast her head would spin."

Dr. Tompkins agreed that people are ignorant on this issue. He listed consequences from abortion such as bleeding, infection, sterility, complications in subsequent pregnancies and even possible death.

Euthanasia is also a concern of Niagara Regional Right to Life. Euthanasia is defined as the act or practice of killing individuals who are hopelessly sick or injured for reasons of mercy.

Regarding euthanasia practices during the Second World War, Mrs. McManamy said that the Nuremberg trials were asked how the Nazis could have taken so many lives. The Nazi response was that they "never knew it would go that far."

Mrs. McManamy said because of so many distractions in life, people don't pay enough attention to what is happening.

Right to Life asks what people are doing to themselves. Mrs. McManamy said mercy killing could go too far, first with the retarded and then to the aged.

MUST NOT SIT BACK

"Are we going to sit back like the Germans and give the same excuse?" She answered, "No, we must start moving."

Right to Life organizations are spread all across Canada under various names. The regional group was started in 1969 under John Muggeridge, instructor at Niagara College. J. McManamy, Thorold lawyer, is now president.

Thirteen directors from areas surrounding Niagara Falls and Dunnville hold monthly meetings. An annual membership fee of $5 entitles an individual or family to a national newsletter on abortion and euthanasia questions and regular information about the organization's work in the Niagara Region.

John Pierce, instructor at the Horticultural Centre, admires one of the recent acquisitions of rare trees. The collection includes such rare species as dwarf cypress, weeping redwood and scarce varieties of cedar and alpine trees.the plants will form part of a projected garden to be set in the spring. (Photo by Epp)

Hort. gets rare trees; spring garden benefits

A 20-year-old cypress tree, naturally dwarfed at about six inches, is among a collection of rare alpine and dwarf forms the horticulture division in St. Catharines acquired from a tree hobbyist in St. Davids.

"Collections like this are rare," instructor John Pierce said. "You're talking about half a dozen collections in North America."

The collection, temporarily housed in a greenhouse to the west of the division's property, has pine trees from South Africa, Japan and Greece. It includes trees like weeping redwood, dwarf cypress and rare cedars.

The division obtained the vast collection from a plant quarantine inspector, Arthur Osslash. "It was his business as well as his hobby," Mr. Pierce said.

Mr. Osslash spent 15 to 20 years collecting the rare pines, Mr. Pierce said. After he had duplicated the trees through propagation, he divided the duplicates among the Royal Botanical Gardens in Hamilton, the Vineland Research Station and the horticulture division.

Mr. Pierce said the school bought the collection at a "very, very reduced price."

This spring the students plan to establish a separate garden of the rare and unusual plants in a 15 by 60 foot bed.

"This will give people an opportunity to see plants and trees not indigenous to this area," Mr. Pierce said.

He said the division of horticulture has a lot of rare plants that the public are not even aware of. "We get a lot of interesting plant life from the U.S. National Aboretum. They want us to test the plants for hardiness."

New medical-surgical course, assists nursing skills update

By MARY KOZIELLO
Staff Writer

If by chance any nurses out there are a bit rusty and out of practice, they will be happy to know that Niagara College will be offering a medical-surgical course to begin in May, 1979.

Evelyn Gay, chairman, continuing education health sciences, said the program is open to nurses working in a specialty area and wishing to update their medical and surgical skills.

The course may also be of interest to nursing graduates who wish to upgrade or maintain competency.

Miss Gay said prior to this, there was only a theory portion which included physiology and anatomy. With the addition of a clinical component, actual hospital work will be done. The course should prove very helpful, as the nurses "will not only be learning it, but doing it as well".

The theory portion will be three hours per week at a time most suitable to the group. The clinical component will be offered in shifts, such as in the afternoon or on weekends.

Those applying for the course must be registered with the College of Nurses.

Evidence of having completed a course within five years, which includes the problem-solving approach to Nursing Care Planning, is a prerequisite. Applicants lacking Nursing Care Planning should be taking Nursing Professionalization and Process.

The course is aimed at meeting the students' needs. If the demand is excessive, a second class will be offered in September.

Free clinic dental hygiene

Dental hygiene students are busy this term. The second-year students are running a free hygiene clinic for the general public, in addition to attending classes.

The clinic is part of the dental hygiene program. It opened Jan. 8 and will be open Monday to Friday (except Monday mornings and Wednesday afternoons) until the end of the term.

The clinic offers dental examinations, x-rays, scaling and polishing, fluoride treatments, impressions for study models, oral hygiene instruction and mouthguards, Dina Lacey, clinical technician, said.

The hygiene students are supervised during the clinic hours. Every step of dental service is checked before the students can go on to the next step, Mrs. Lacey said.

PRACTICAL EXPERIENCE

The licensing board, the Royal College of Dental Surgeons, requires hygiene students to have a certain number of hours of practical experience. Before they can take the dental hygiene program, students must be graduated from a dental assistant program.

Appointments for the hygiene clinic can be made throughout the term, Mrs. Lacey said.

A hygiene clinic was offered last term, but it was open to regional school children only.

The restorative dental clinic offered last term was part of the first-year dental assistant program.

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Welding instructor

This is the real Man of Steel

By JUDY SUGA
Staff Writer

George Kovacs is a man of steel. And iron, and copper, and bronze, and...

The 39-year-old steel lay-out and welding instructor says "welding is not only industrial, it's also an art," and he has the talent to prove it. He makes ornamental, indoor-outdoor furniture and metal art and sculptures.

On the front lawn of his Royal Oak Drive home, in St. Catharines, is a contemporary steel sculpture, and he has fancy iron gates leading to the front and back. Inside, he made his own room dividers, a hammered Swedish steel fireplace set, steel coffee tables, and a dining room and kitchen suite, among a score of other articles.

A native of Hungary, the fair-skinned Mr. Kovacs came to Canada in 1958, first moving out west and making some furniture there. He became interested in welding "as a child, when I would go to the blacksmith's shop after school and help him with the bellows and other things. It's a great art in Europe, ironworks." He was later formally trained in welding, and still takes annual welding courses.

Mr. Kovacs studied art in Paris, mostly painting and sculpturing. With an easy smile, he remembers, "Out of class I could do anything, but I was never good at it in class. I hated the stuff (clay) between my fingers."

Designs own

He designs everything he makes, and at one time sold some of his designs to others. "I never duplicate anything, because anything worth having has to be one of a kind."

He even designs the smaller, delicate creations. He makes realistic copper oak leaves and his copper tea roses, put together petal by petal, sell individually or in bouquets.

"I even took a flower-arranging course once so I could arrange the bouquets attractively," he said.

Mr. Kovacs, who has taught at Niagara eight years, said he doesn't make as much as he used to, only "once in a while when I feel like it." A piece of furniture can take up to seven months to make, "depending on the mood I'm in."

"Like any artist, I have to be in a creative mood. If I am, I can work 24 hours a day straight, but if I'm not, I won't touch it for weeks."

He once had his own business selling his creations, but he now sells mostly at shows and displays with the help of his brother-in-law, who is a "good salesman and loves the stuff."

Prices have ranged from $3.50 for the individual tea roses, to $350 for pieces of furniture. He has often made furniture on order.

"People sometimes have a vague idea of what they want, but they can't really describe it, so I try to make it to suit their personality," Mr. Kovacs said. "It's funny, but I usually guess right."

The raw material is inexpensive, "but it's all the time that goes into it that really counts." A tea rose takes one hour, because it is made up of 20 pieces, and the petals must be individually braise-welded to the copper coated steel stem. The petals are colored with heat and chemical treatment.

Steel layout and welding instructor George Kovacs relaxes in his home surrounded by articles of his own creation. The 39-year-old instructor makes ornamental indoor-outdoor furniture and steel art. On the coffee table are copper bullrushes and a pyramid for "pyramid power." (Photo by Suga)

Mr. Kovacs' double garage doubles as his workshop. He gets the steel from Newman Steel in Oakville, plate glass for tables from Brisk-all Glass in Niagara Falls, and has the furniture upholstered at In-Town Upholstery, St. Catharines. He said his favorite style of furniture is from the Spanish Romantic era.

Likes children

Mrs. Kovacs is also artistic and likes to paint, and their three oldest sons are interested in welding, he said. He has five sons and three daughters, ranging in age from 1 to 13 years.

A proud family man, Mr. Kovacs beams, "My wife and I both believe in large families." He said he needs all five levels and 22 rooms in his house to accommodate the family.

"We have more bathrooms in our place than some people have bedrooms."

He and his wife belong to the Niagara Regional Family and Children's Services and have one foster child, an experience which he called "very rewarding."

"How much can you say you really love your children and still close your eyes to others being beaten and abused?"

The medium-built instructor, who said he is interested in sports, also coaches a soccer team of six and seven-year-olds during the summer.

Mr. Kovacs' roses will be sold at the Celebrate Canada Festival. Eight of his 30 welding students, including "four very talented girls," will also be designing and making projects to be sold. The money raised will pay for the raw materials, with the remainder of it going back to help finance next year's Celebrate Canada Festival, "so it's going toward a good cause."

Bronze and copper pyramids will also be made, "for those who believe in pyramid power."

George Kovacs has indeed wrought many things.

Opening soon

The Hennepin Hall art gallery expects to be open by March 1, 1979, Tom Fraser, the gallery's newly-elected secretary-treasurer, said following the board of directors meeting last week.

"Hopefully, it should be opening by March 1," he said. The gallery is a separate organization from Niagara College.

PD committees work

Technology

Four men have volunteered for the professional development faculty committee in the school of technology. Glenn Mount, civil engineering instructor, is chairman. Other committee members are Raj Chopra, mechanical engineering instructor; Michael Curcumelli, chemistry instructor and James Lee, electronics instructor.

As chairman, Mr. Mount will call meetings, if necessary, to approve funding for field trips or conferences for particular technical courses.

The major responsibility is allocating funds in the budget of the school of technology, Mr. Mount said.

The committee will set up meetings for the school of technology when speakers are planning to attend.

Applied Arts

The faculty professional development committee for applied arts is planning a professional development day Feb. 27.

Beverly Brown, chairman of the committee, said Reginald Moase, assistant dean, College of Education at Brock University, has accepted an invitation to speak to faculty members about teaching methods and special methods for teaching adult students.

Jacqueline Robarts, president of Niagara College, will speak to applied arts faculty that day.

Members of the committee include: Robert Bowman, Barbara Blue, Erika Church, Goldie Filo, I. J. Giancarlo, Greg Laughton, James Nicholas, Dr. Eric Robinson and Marcella Therrien.

Workshops for instructors will follow the speeches.

Business

The next professional development day for teachers in the school of business is Thursday, May 4, Anthony Goss, chairman of the committee, said.

Dr. Goss, co-ordinator of economics and law, said teachers are continually upgrading themselves. The professional development committee monitors the knowledge.

Members of the committee are Patricia Drozdoski, John Killip, Wayne Triano, Robert Young and Ibrahim Abdou.

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Helping WHO in Grenada 'fantastic,' instructor says

By PHYLLIS BARNATT
Staff Writer

If your New Year's resolution is to do something useful and demanding with your life, then the World Health Organization could use your energy. Nothing more than a suitcase and a desire to be helpful are requirements Marjorie Russell, health sciences instructor, found during her volunteer assignment.

Mrs. Russell and her husband, Ed, spend this past summer in Grenada with the World Health Organization (WHO) on a pilot immunization program. Mrs. Russell said she did not know until four days before departure when she would go in Grenada.

"There's no satisfaction if you just donate money but I get a lot of satisfaction if I actually help. When I was in nursing school that received a lot of emphasis."

FANTASTIC, ENJOYABLE

Mrs. Russell described her volunteer time as "fantastic" citing that the people made it enjoyable, they were really wonderful."

'The people really wanted innoculation and were willing to receive it." In Caracu, the WHO team was quartered in the prime minister's summer island home. However, Mrs. Russell is quick to reassure people who call for information that such events are not the norm. Volunteers pay their own transportation, work 16 hour days and often travel on one lane roads in van type vehicles.

"When people ask me how did I find out about the project it really throws me. I'm also amazed when they ask how did my husband manage to go. You have to want to do it. Long times, short times in any country. How about our kids? They're way behind here as was seen in the recent polio epidemic scare."

The Grenadians' reactions to the WHO team were "fantastic. They're just really great. the kids would be there with the cards in lines ready to go. Tables were set up for mixing solutions and the alcohol. It was total co-operation. It's remarkable to see."

PILOT PROGRAM

Although the Grenada trip was a pilot program there are tentative plans for a similar project in Haiti some time in 1979. Confirmation from the Haitian government, and supplies from WHO are the principal stoppages. Nonetheless, Mrs. Russell is ready to pack a bag and catch the next plane at the nearest airport.

"After all, what do you really have to take except yourself? You're not going for a year. You're going for a few days, or weeks at most. A lot of people don't like operating on faith though."

Despite the large number of areas throughout the world without adequate health care, Mrs. Russell remains optimistic. "You don't meet it (the total need for services) but you try to meet it."

Anyone wanting further information on the WHO volunteer program can contact Mrs. Russell, Ext. 256, Niagara College.

Youth choir to perform

The Tecumseh Foyer will come alive with the sounds and sights of traditional Canada when the Canadiana Youth Choir and Dancers perform there Feb. 16 and 17 as part of the Celebrate Canada Festival.

The 66-member choir and dance troupe will do traditional Canadian songs and dances while decked out in about 11 "very colorful" costumes, president Rose Engemann said.

The group has had exchange visits with musical troupes from Trinidad, Germany and Halifax, and has sung and danced at folk arts festival conventions and city hall openings.

On Friday, Feb. 16, at 8:30 a.m., the senior choir directed by Henry Goerzen, will perform along with the dancers. The children's choir, directed by Judith Butler, and the dance troupe will perform on Saturday, Feb. 17, at 1:30 p.m.

Stars of the future?

Snow and cold weather didn't stop these Welland youths from creating an ice rink on a frozen pond. They shovelled off the snow and enjoyed a solitary game of hockey. (Photo by Boyd)

Coming play

The Sound of Murder, Welland Little Theatre's nextg production, will be presented Feb. 15-17 and Feb. 22-24 at the Niagara College Theatre Centre, 54 Empire St., Welland. The play is produced in conjunction with the Theatre Centre whose students designed and constructed the sets, costumes and props.

Microscope, films, slides at festival

For those of you who want to know the inner workings of an electron microscope or the human body, the Ontario Science Centre display at the Celebrate Canada festival is for you.

The electron microscope, which weighs more than 700 pounds, will be demonstrated by Earl Sweeney of the science centre. The demonstration will include biological and metalurgical specimens, along with a slide show on electron microscopy and applications.

Lorraine Dumoulin will present a human reproduction display and an evolution display that will include skulls, slides and films.

There will be four shows on each day of the festival, Feb. 15-17—one in the morning, two in the afternoon and one in the evening. The shows will be held in the Tecumseh foyer.

Long hours, low pay

Taxi driving not job, but experience

By RON HOLLA
Staff Writer

"Car six is at the bus, all ready to go."

John placed his mike down and relaxed behind the wheel. Abruptly the radio came alive.

"Car six, take it around and get Dominion at the Mall." He rogered his okay and Car six, a white Checker Marathon, drove off—its destination an elderly lady and her groceries.

John Bonhomme, 20, St. Catharines, is one of many people who drive for Central Taxi, one of the three taxi companies in St. Catharines. For him, driving is more than a job—it is an experience.

"You meet the strangest kinds of people," he said. "Something different happens almost every night.

12-HOUR SHIFT

John's day begins when most people are making their way homeward in the evening and ends when people are leaving for work in the morning. It is during these 12 hours that he encounters many different customers.

"We usually have grocery calls between 6 and 9 p.m.," he said. "Most of our drunks, if there are many, are picked up between midnight and 2 a.m."

Other than regular calls, such as the person who every Friday takes a cab between his home and a hotel three miles away, a driver can encounter situations which demand unusual responses. A driver may act as a babysitter or a shoulder to cry on and John is no exception.

"One night I took a mother and her young girl to the train station," he said. "From the train station I took the girl to a babysitter in Thorold. She was upset because she had to leave her mother and so I just sat her on my lap as I drove."

NEED PATIENCE

Trying to get some customers into a cab calls for special patience and tact. Often a customer who is slightly intoxicated is rather reluctant to leave the bar and the driver has to be forceful, yet understanding, as the customer is steered towards the waiting cab.

"Some guys try to say goodbye to everyone in the bar," John said. "Others offer you a drink before you go and one guy in the Henley Hotel made a pass at every girl he saw as he was walking out."

Some customers who have imbibed a little too much tell the driver to drop them off just before their house so that their wives cannot tell they are drunk.

"I got a call to take a customer from a bar to a house just around the corner," he said. "He asked me to stop by his driveway so he could walk to his house and give his wife the impression he had not been drinking too much."

USED FOR DELIVERIES

Taxis not only carry people, but also deliver parcels and food for customers. It is here again that the unusual occurs.

"On Christmas day, a person ordered potato chips, chip dip and pop which amounted to $7," John said. "A regular customer in St. Catharines uses cabs to deliver bags of cement and other building supplies.

For long hours of driving, the rewards are minimal. Often the driver only nets between $1 and $2 an hour and anything above that comes from tips by generous customers, he said. His best day was Christmas when he got $60 for the night including tips. New Year's Eve, contrary to many people's opinions, is not always a good night.

"There weren't too many drunks out taking cabs after midnight this year," he said. "I guess everyone stayed home."

PAY IS LOW

While pay is low for a driver, many people would rather drive than receive unemployment insurance.

Every driver hopes for an out-of-town call, with beginning rates of $10 for a call to Welland and $325 for a Montreal call. One only gets an out-of-town call though by "being in the right place at the right time."

Despite the long hours and low pay, John said he will continue driving for some time.

"I enjoy driving," he said. "Everyday is different and you're always hoping for that big night in which you'll make a lot of money."

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